crude oil being a freely traded commodity, in the case of disruption of crude oil supply from any country, the requirement can be met from alternative sources.

(c) and (d) Indian Oil Corporation, has a term contract with Malaysia for supply of 15 lakh metric tonnes of crude oil during 2001-2002.

Sound and light show at Warrangal

†*397. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:
SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal before Government for giving permission for sound and light show at 1000 pillar temple at Warrangal; and

(b) if so, by when the Director-General, ASI, is going to inspect the temple for according the permission?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The State Government of Andhra Pradesh has informed that Archaeological Survey of India has carried out the inspection of the 1000 pillar temple at Warrangal on 17th August, 2001.

Illegal import of cigarettes

*398. SHRI H.K. JAVARE GOWDA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that illegal import of cigarettes *via* 'Bangladesh, Nepal, Myanmar, China and other countries' is causing heavy loss to the exchequer; if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that illegal import of cigarettes has adversely affected the Indian tobacco growers; and

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) if so, the steps Government propose to take to curb the illegal import of cigarettes to the country?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) There are reports of smuggling of cigarettes into India. However, smuggling being a clandestine activity, its exact quantum cannot be ascertained. Therefore, the extent of loss to exchequer on account of smuggling of cigarettes cannot be quantified with certainty.

(b) No. Sir. The available information does not indicate any adverse impact on the Indian tobacco growers because of the illegal import of cigarettes.

(c) All the field formations under the Customs Department including Directorate of revenue Intelligence are vigilant and alert to check smuggling of contraband goods including cigarettes into the country.

Irregularities by Mohan Nagar Awas Society

*399. SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH LIBRA:
SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1002 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th November, 2001 and state:

(a) whether representations have been received by Central Revenue Department on involvment of Government officials in tax evasion of Mohan Nagar Karamchari Awas Samiti Ltd.;

(b) if so, details thereof and the action taken by Government;

(c) the names of House owners in Ghaziabad who procured plots from Samiti illegally;

(d) whether such transactions are reflected in Income-tax returns; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

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